

# MICHIGAN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

## ***THE PARENT CONNECTION***

NEW BEGINNINGS...

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### **SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:**

### **ATTENTION PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF SENIORS**

If you want to add a Parent's Dedication to your child in the Yearbook, the deadline is Monday, February 12.

The cost is \$5.00 for one inch, \$15.00 for 3 inches, or \$20.00 for 1/4 page, \$40.00 for 1/2 page or \$80.00 for a full page.

If you have questions, please contact TerriKay Clark at [clarktk@michigan.gov](mailto:clarktk@michigan.gov).

### ***Singing Hands News***

Singing Hands will be performing on April 26 and 27. It is going back to the old way (like a choir concert in ASL). Sign up sheets are posted outside the Main Office.

Questions: please contact Cathy St James at 810 257 1427 or [stjamesc@michigan.gov](mailto:stjamesc@michigan.gov) or Pat Ward at 810 257 1458 or [wardp1@michigan.gov](mailto:wardp1@michigan.gov).



### **Dorm News**

No day students on February 28 in Unit 3

\* CHANGE IN VOLLEYBALL  
SCHEDULE: \*  
MONDAY, FEB 12, 4:00 PM  
MSD VS VCA (AWAY)

### **Winter Break**

CLASSES WILL DISMISS  
ON WEDNESDAY,  
FEBRUARY 14,  
AT 11:55 AM.  
NO SCHOOL  
FEBRUARY 15—19.  
DORMS OPEN ON  
MONDAY, FEB 19, AT  
4:30 PM. CLASSES  
RESUME ON TUESDAY,  
FEBRUARY 20.

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## **DEAF AWARENESS AT THE PALACE**

THE PALACE OF  
AUBURN HILLS IS  
PLEASED TO  
ANNOUNCE DEAF  
AWARENESS  
NIGHT ON FRIDAY,  
MARCH 30.

The Detroit Pistons vs  
the New Jersey Nets.  
Game time 8:00 pm.  
The National Anthem  
will be signed.  
Interpreters will be at  
concession stands.

For additional  
information or to  
purchase tickets,  
contact Melissa at  
248 377 8768 or  
[MNeiderheide@PalaceNet.com](mailto:MNeiderheide@PalaceNet.com).

## TARTAR CORNER

**Parent night for Varsity sports was held on February 8<sup>th</sup>. The students and the Athletic Department staff really appreciate the parents who braved the artic**

**temperatures to attend. Thanks! Parent Night for the elementary and middle school sports will be on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you there!**

**Save the date: 4th-8th Grade Sports Banquet will be held on Thursday, March 22. More info soon!**

Myrtel Brown and Eugene Thomas

**Way to go Tartars!**



### MSD Superintendent's Cottage Fundraiser

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, AT 7:00 PM  
IN THE MSD AUDITORIUM

TICKETS: \$10.00 PER PERSON

### STAND UP COMEDY BY VIKEE WALTRIP

CONTACT THE FOLLOWING FOR TICKETS:  
Freida Morrison: aslmorrison@yahoo.com  
Bonnie Joe Gemmill: BJO@tmail.com  
Carol Mair: cmair@provide.net

### ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW!

**Deadline for orders is February 26.**  
Cost of a Yearbook is \$32.00 (same price as last year). Please make checks payable to MSD Yearbook. Payment for Yearbooks may be deposited in the Main Office.

TerriKay Clark and Judy Lowrie  
Yearbook Advisors

## ***PBS Characteristic for February: Love***

### SUMMER 2007 OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AT GALLAUDET

Get a taste of offerings at Gallaudet University: Sample academic fields to help you decide on a future career, acquire leadership and team building skills, meet new people and make new friends. Application deadline is April 30. To be eligible, students must be in 9th-12th grade in the Fall of 2007 and have a minimum GPA of 2.75. Young Scholars Program applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.25. Contact Tracey Kempton at [summer@gallaudet.edu](mailto:summer@gallaudet.edu) or 800 383 9931 (v/tty) for information. Website: <http://summer.gallaudet.edu>

**GAME SCHEDULE**

<b>SPORT/ COACH</b>	<b>Monday 2/12</b>	<b>Tuesday 2/13</b>	Wed 2/14	Thurs 2/15	Friday 2/16	<b>Saturday 2/17</b>
<b>4-6 BB</b> Gordon Kaufman Anita Kaatz		<b>Game @MSD Be at gym 3:15</b>				
<b>7-8 BB</b> Jason Riedel	<b>Game at MSD be at gym at 3:15</b>	<b>Game@MSD Be at gym at 3:15</b>				
<b>Volleyball</b> Tina Takacs	<b>Game at VCA meet van at school at 3:15</b>	<b>Game @ Faith meet bus at dorm 3:45</b>				
<b>Cheerleading</b> Sarah Updike	<b>Game be at gym 5:00</b>	<b>Game</b>				
<b>V&amp;JV BB</b> Ron Guthrie	<b>Game at MSD be at gym at 4:30</b>	<b>Game meet bus at dorm 3:45</b>				
<b>Bowling</b>						<b>Grand Blanc 2pm</b>

## SPORTS PRACTICE SCHEDULES

<b>SPORT/ COACH</b>	<b>Sunday 2/11</b>	<b>Monday 2/12</b>	Tuesday 2/13	Wed 2/14	Thurs 2/15
<b>4-6 BB</b> Gordon Kaufman Anita Kaatz			Game	No Practice	
<b>7-8 BB</b> Jason Riedel Linda Steele		Game	Game	No Practice	
<b>Volleyball</b> Tina Takacs	<b>7:00-9:00 Gym</b>	Game	Game	No Practice	
<b>Cheerleading</b> Sarah Updike Andrea Riedel		Game	Game	No Practice	
<b>V &amp; JV BB</b> Ron Guthrie Troy Young		Game	Game	No Practice	
<b>Bowling</b> Ann Mose		<b>3:30-5:15 Bowling Alley</b>	No Practice	No Practice	

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*HOME OF THE TARTARS*

*The Parent Connection is issued weekly by the Michigan School for the Deaf Parent Information Office for distribution to parents and guardians of MSD students.*

*Articles may be submitted to Becky Calaman, MSD Parent Information Office at 810 257 1486 v/tty or 810 257 1490 fax or calamanr@michigan.gov.*

*All events must include a contact name, phone number and/or email address.*

***Deadline for submission of articles is Noon on Wednesday.***

*Articles received after Noon on Wednesday will be considered for the following week's newsletter.*

## Notice

It is the policy of the Michigan School for the Deaf not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, disability, hearing loss, height, weight, or marital status in its programs, services or activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Human Resources Coordinator, 1667 Miller Rd, Flint, MI 48503, (810) 257 1400 (v/tty).

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## SKIING AND SNOWBOARDING AT ALPINE VALLEY

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DEAF C.A.N.! Youth Program is sponsoring a day of skiing and snowboarding at Alpine Valley on Saturday, February 17, from 9:00 am til 5:30 pm. Group rate: chairlift—\$24, ski rental—\$16, snowboard rental—\$16. Meal (pizza and drinks) - \$5. Snacks provided. Alpine Valley is located at 6775 East Highland Road, White Lake. Any questions, contact Sheri Garnand, Deaf Youth Director, at [sgarnand@tmail.com](mailto:sgarnand@tmail.com) or VP 209.165.255.20.

## **Deaf Teen Club: "Club I Can"**

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Connection (DHHC) in Muskegon is sponsoring a Splash Zone Swimming Party on Saturday, March 10. Must RSVP by March 6 to [spolanyi@dhhc.org](mailto:spolanyi@dhhc.org) or call 231 722 3443 tty/fax or

231 722 DHHC (voice) to register.

Visit the website at [www.dhhc.org](http://www.dhhc.org).

Save the Date:

**March 21, 2007**

**9:00 pm**

**"Through  
Deaf Eyes"**

A 2 hour documentary exploring 200 years of Deaf life in America. Will be shown nationally on PBS stations.